



**MINUTES**  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
HAMTRAMCK, MICHIGAN  
February 28, 2012  
7:00 P.M.

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**PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

**The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the city council chamber on the second floor of City Hall, 3401 Evaline, Hamtramck, MI 48212 by Mayor Karen Majewski.**

**Roll call: Present: Karen Majewski, Cathie Gordon, Tom Jankowski, Mohammed Hassan, Abdul Algazali, Anam Miah and Bob Zwolak. Others present: City Manager Bill Cooper, Finance Director Nevrus Nazarko, City Attorney Jim Allen, City Attorney Alexis Krot, Acting DPW Director Steve Shaya, Acting Police Chief Max Garbarino and CED Director Jason Friedmann.**

**All stood and said the pledge of allegiance to the flag.**

**Agenda approval: Motion: Gordon; Second: Miah. The agenda was approved on a voice vote.**

**Brenda Lawrence, Mayor from the City of Southfield made a presentation.  
Russ Gordon made a presentation for the Human Relations Commission.**

**There were no public comments.**

**SECTION I: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**Gordon moved, Zwolak seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was approved on a voice vote. The approved consent agenda consisted of the following items:**

1. City Council Meeting Minutes:
  - a. Special Meeting – February 9, 2012
  - b. Regular Meeting – February 14, 2012
2. Board and Commission minutes:
  - a. Housing Commission – January 17, 2012
3. RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE HAMTRAMCK ASSESSOR'S BOARD OF REVIEW. New appointments by Mayor Majewski will have a term ending 1/1/2014. **(2012-26) Sean Davis; (2012-27) Elmedina Gozic; (2012-28) Jamila Begum.**

**SECTION II: NEW BUSINESS - Ordinance introductions and resolutions for initial consideration.**

- 1 **FUND WARRANT LIST AND PAYROLL. (2012-29) Motion: Gordon. Second: Jankowski. After discussion the list was approved on a voice vote.**

2. RESOLUTION (2012-30) AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR SUPPLEMENTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES WITH THE HAMTRAMCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Placed on the agenda by Acting Police Chief Garbarino. **Motion: Gordon. Second: Algazali. After discussion the resolution was approved on a voice vote.**
3. RESOLUTION (2012-31) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH NATIONAL FAITH HOMEBUYERS TO PROVIDE HOUSING COUNSELING SERVICES TO THE CITY OF HAMTRAMCK FOR THE CITY'S NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM (NSP 2) REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT. Placed on the agenda by CED Director Friedman. **Motion: Algazali. Second: Gordon. After discussion the resolution was approved on a voice vote.**
4. RESOLUTION (2012-32) REQUESTING TRANSFER OF CREDITS WITHIN MERSTO THE PROPER ACCOUNT WITHIN THE DIVISION 5 (FIREFIGHTERS). Placed on the agenda by Finance Director Nazarko. **Motion: Algazali. Second: Gordon. After discussion the resolution was approved on a voice vote.**
5. RESOLUTION (2012-33) TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR STEVE SHAYA TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR, PUBLIC SERVICES. Placed on the agenda by City Manager Cooper. **Motion: Hassan. Second: Miah. After discussion Zwolak moved, Hassan seconded a motion to amend the resolution by increasing the salary to \$76,000. After discussion the motion to amend failed on a voice vote. After further discussion the resolution was approved with the following roll call vote: Yes – Algazali, Gordon, Hassan, Miah, Zwolak; No - Jankowski.**
6. RESOLUTION (2012-34) TO ESTABLISH SEPARATE ACCOUNTING FOR THE HAMTRAMCK HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION. Placed on the agenda by City Manager Cooper. **Motion: Gordon. Second: Jankowski. The resolution was approved on a voice vote.**
7. RESOLUTION (2012-35) ADOPTING THE 2012-13 BUDGET CALENDAR AND ESTABLISHING DEADLINES FOR THE PREPARATION, REVIEW, AND ADOPTION PHASES. Placed on the agenda by City Manager Cooper. **Motion: Hassan. Second: Miah. After discussion the resolution was approved on a voice vote.**
8. RESOLUTION (2012-36) TO PULL ALL ZONING ORDINANCES FOR REVIEW (AND/OR AMENDMENTS) BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION IN ORDER TO ACCOMODATE THE CITY'S MASTER PLAN. Placed on the agenda by Councilmember Gordon. **Motion: Gordon. Second: Zwolak. After discussion the resolution was approved with the following roll call vote: Yes – Gordon, Jankowski, Zwolak, Majewski; No – Algazali, Hassan, Miah.**
9. RESOLUTION TO PLACE ALL ZONING VARIANCES IN MORATORIUM UNTIL THE ZONING ORDINANCE REVIEW IS COMPLETE. Placed on the agenda by Councilmember Gordon. **Motion: Zwolak. Second: Gordon. After discussion the resolution was withdrawn with no objections.**
10. RESOLUTION (2012-37) DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE IMMEDIATE AND EMERGENCY STEPS TO DEMOLISH THE THREE BURNED OUT HOMES ON FABER STREET THAT ARE A PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH RISK TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND IT'S RESIDENTS. Placed on the agenda by Councilmember Zwolak. **Motion: Gordon. Second: Zwolak. After discussion the resolution was approved on a voice vote.**

11. RESOLUTION (2012-38) DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER WITH THE DEPARTMENT HEADS TO REVIEW AND SUBMIT A PROPOSED REDUCTION IN DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES OF UP TO (30) PERCENT IN THIS FISCAL YEAR 2011-12, TO SUBMIT THE PROPOSAL TO COUNCIL IN LESS THAN TWO WEEKS OF THE RESOLUTION ADOPTION AND TO INCLUDE A PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENT. Placed on the agenda by Councilmember Zwolak. **Motion: Zwolak. Second: Algazali. The resolution was approved on a voice vote.**
  
12. RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A CITY OF HAMTRAMCK POLICY THAT PROVIDES FOR PREFERENTIAL CONSIDERATION FOR PURCHASE OR LEASE OF GENERAL MOTORS PRODUCTS WHICH ARE PRACTICAL, REASONABLE AND WITHIN COST ALLOWANCES. Placed on the agenda by Councilmember Zwolak. **Motion: Zwolak. Second: Miah. The resolution failed on a voice vote. No – Algazali, Hassan, Jankowski, Miah; Yes – Gordon, Zwolak.**

### **SECTION III: OTHER ITEMS**

1. Mayor's Report: **Report presented.**
2. Mayor ProTem's Report: **Report presented.**
3. City Manager's Report: **None**
4. **Public comments were made by Brenda Caplin and Ernest Little.**
5. Non-agenda items and other business: **None**

### **SECTION IV: CLOSED SESSION**

Council will discuss attorney client privileged communication. **The discussion on client privileged information was not needed and changed to contract negotiations. Jankowski moved, Hassan seconded a motion to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. The motion was approved. Yes – all. The closed session began at 9:45 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 10:30 p.m.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.**

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**William J. Cooper, City Manager**